Increased role for RWAs under New Master Plan

2230. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA A. HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government envisage an increased role for the RWAs under the New Master Plan for Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware that many RWAs, particularly in middle class colonies, have political affiliations and many of these may be moved by their personal interests as well;

(d) the extent to which it would be useful to vest authority with such RWAs of middle class colonies; and

(e) the manner in which such aberrations are proposed to be checked?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (e) A public notice seeking to modify the provisions of the Master Plan for Delhi (MPD) 2001 regarding mixed land use, has been issued on 21.7.2006 in which increased role for the Residents Welfare Associations (RWAs) has been envisaged. The proposed policy envisages specific request from RWAs in certain categories of colonies and consultation with RWAs in certain other categories of colonies for the identification of mixed land use streets. It also prescribes that such consultation by local bodies should cover at least 50 per cent of the plot allottees/owners of the colony, and that genuine efforts for meaningful consultation including wide publicity, maintenance of and access to records be made. Moreover, such consultation shall not extend to grant of permission in individual cases. However, RWAs would be heard in case of specific complaints of public nuisance and non-permissible uses.

Lower slab rates for parking for smaller duration

2231. DR. (SHRIMATI) NAJMA A. HEPTULLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reforms MCD have been trying to carry out to ensure that people are generally motivated to park their vehicles in authorized parking lots;